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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.

a schedule management apparatus <u>incorporated in a vehicle-mounted device</u>, the <u>schedule management apparatus transmitting that transmits a schedule to be managed</u> to a management center a schedule to be managed, a present position of the schedule management

(Currently Amended) A schedule management system, comprising:

apparatus, and a time margin before an expected start time of the schedule, wherein the time

margin is capable of being set in an arbitrary manner, transmits its own present position to the

management center continuously, and displays-the schedule management apparatus further

displaying an alarm when it receives the alarm received from said management center; and

the management center that stores the schedule received from said schedule management apparatus, calculates a required time period to move from said present position to a place included in said schedule when it receives in response to receiving said present position from said schedule management apparatus, calculates a time to start [[an]] the alarm based on

[[an]] the expected start time included in said schedule, a present time, and said required time

period, wherein the time to start the alarm includes the time margin before the expected start

time, and transmits [[an]] the alarm to said schedule management apparatus through a

transmitting/receiving section when the present time reaches said calculated alarm start time.

2. (Currently Amended) A management center, comprising:

a unit that performs transmission/reception to/from a schedule management

apparatus;

a memory that stores a schedule received from said schedule management

apparatus through said transmitting/receiving unit;

a unit that detects a present time;

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a unit that calculates, from a place included in said schedule and a present position received from said schedule management apparatus, a required time period to move from said present position to said place;

a unit that calculates a time to start an alarm based on an expected start time included in said schedule, said detected present time and said calculated required time period, wherein the time to start the alarm includes a time margin before the expected start time; and a unit that transmits [[an]] the alarm to said schedule management apparatus through said transmitting/receiving unit when said detected present time reaches said calculated alarm start time.

3. (Currently Amended) A schedule management apparatus, comprising:
a unit that performs transmission/reception to/from a management center;
a unit that transmits a schedule and a time margin before an expected start time of
the schedule to said management center through said transmitting/receiving unit, wherein the
time margin is capable of being set in an arbitrary manner;

a unit that detects a present position;

a unit that transmits said detected present position to said management center through said transmitting/receiving unit; and

a unit that displays an alarm received from said management center through said transmitting/receiving unit.

4. (Currently Amended) A schedule management apparatus, comprising:
a memory that stores a schedule;
a unit that detects a present position;
a unit that detects a present time;

a unit that calculates, from a place included in said schedule and said detected present position, a required time period to move from said present position to said place;

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a unit that calculates a time to start an alarm based on an expected start time included in said schedule, said detected present time, and said calculated required time period, wherein the time to start the alarm includes a time margin before the expected start time; and a unit that displays [[an]] the alarm when said detected present time reaches said calculated time to start [[an]] the alarm.

5-7. (Canceled)

- 8. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the management center transmits the alarm to the schedule management apparatus earlier than the expected start time by an alarm time period that is a sum of the required time period and the time margin.
- 9. (New) The system of claim 8, wherein the alarm is for prompting movement to the place included in said schedule for arrival on or before the expected start time.
- 10. (New) The system of claim 8, wherein the time margin is configured to be arbitrarily modified by a recipient of the alarm.

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